GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:461
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SMUGGLING OF DIAMONDS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the smuggling of diamonds are on increase now-a-days at Airports of the country;

(b) if so, whether DRI has recently arrested some persons for allegedly attempting to smuggle diamonds worth crores of rupees at IGI Airport; and

(c) if so, the details of the persons arrested with seizure made from each of them ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (REVENUE) IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) : No,Sir.

(b) : Yes,Sir.

(c) : One person named Shri Anil Chanana was arrested when he was attempting to smuggle in two pairs of diamond earring, collectively valued at Rs.1.17 crores at IGI Airport, New Delhi on 12.8.2004.